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## **NEWS RELEASE**

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham today announced the filing of a one-count indictment<sup>1</sup> charging that Dwayne Parker, on October 22, 2009, was a convicted felon who possessed a firearm in Philadelphia after having been convicted of a crime punishable by more than one year in prison.

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Dwayne Parker	North Dover Street	25

If convicted the defendant faces a statutory maximum sentence of life imprisonment, including a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 15 years, a \$250,000 fine, five years supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

This case was investigated by the Philadelphia Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. The case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Joseph Whitehead, Jr.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.